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FREDERICK COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION RESCISSION OF ADDENDUM TO ADVISORY OPINION 10-02

On November 29, 2010, the Ethics Commission issued Advisory Opinion 10-02 in response to a request for guidance from a Commissioner-Elect. That Advisory Opinion outlined the steps that the then-Commissioner-Elect should take as a County Commissioner to avoid conflicts of interest under the County's Ethics Ordinance. In response to a request for reconsideration, the Ethics Commission issued an Addendum to Advisory Opinion 10-02 on January 10, 2011. The Addendum permitted the Commissioner's firm to continue working in Frederick County on developer-funded projects and to continue the firm's private work in Frederick County, notwithstanding the fact that County inspectors would be charged with responsibility for inspecting the work done by the Commissioner's firm.

Since issuing the Addendum, the Ethics Commission has received additional information that clarifies how the process for approval of developer funded projects works in the County. As the result of this additional information and further reflection, the Ethics Commission has determined that the Addendum to Advisory Opinion 10-02 should be rescinded, thereby leaving intact the findings and recommendations contained in Advisory Opinion 10-02. Consistent with that Advisory Opinion, however, the Commissioner's firm may complete work on any contracts that have already been approved prior to this rescission.

March 21, 2011	/s/
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